

# June 16, 2024 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Office Hours Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m. Fri: closed L'Église St. Patrick

Holy Mass Saturday: 4 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 & 10 a.m. Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. **Confessions** Saturday: 3:20-3:50 p.m. Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m.

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, June 15

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; John P Zagar; Ron, Wallace & Romaine
Venable; Bart, Jules & Isola LeJeune;
Oscar Phillips; Julia Phillips
Sunday, June 16
8:30 a.m.: Brett Walker; Willis Dore'
10 a.m.: For Parishioners
Monday, June 17
7:30 a.m.: Dr Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne; Col Clark Comeaux & Catherine
& Col Kimberley Fedele (living)

## **Online giving at St Patrick's**

If you would like to contribute to St Patrick's online, please visit our website (*stpat.org*) and click Give Online at the top, where you will be directed to *Give* 52. Fill out the information and select St Patrick Church from the drop-down menu. Thank you for your support of our parish and its mission.

## **Catholic Missions Company**

Catholic Missions Company is a 501(c)3 non-profit, established in 2016 here in Lafayette, that leads affordable domestic mission trips for college-aged students. Missionary Catherine Richard recently spoke at St Patrick's about the missions she leads to the Dioceses of Gallup (New Mexico) and Fairbanks (Alaska), as well as the local service days throughout Acadiana. To learn more about CMC or to support its missionary work by financial contributions, visit online at *collegemissions.net*. Tuesday, June 18 7:30 a.m.: Jeanne & Todd Schoeffler Wednesday, June 19 7:30 a.m.: Amy Breaud Thursday, June 20 7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family Friday, June 21 7:30 a.m.: Jeanne & Todd Schoeffler

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Charities of Acadiana needs volunteers. Here is how you can help:

**St. Joseph Diner:** sign up to serve during the most needed shifts: breakfast and dinner.

**Food Net Bank:** emergency food bags need to be filled; often they have no one to help.

Check the online calendar and sign up where there are vacancies (*catholic charitiesacadiana.org*). For questions contact Sarah Baquet at 337-235-4972 or sarahb@catholiccharitiesacadiana.org.

**United Christian Outreach,** 422 Carmel Dr, is also in need of volunteers. Please contact parishioner Geneva Phillips at 337-280-2065 for more information.

#### **Special thanks**

To Mr Aubrey Milligan, US veteran, who graciously replaced the American flag in church, which needed to be retired.

# Institute of Catholic Culture (ICC)

ICC offers free online adult Catholic education programs. Visit the Institute of Catholic Culture online for more information and to register at *instituteofcatholiculture.org*.

## Find Mass when traveling

There are several resources available to help Catholics find Mass when they're away from home or traveling. Look at *masstimes.org* for useful information.

## For Your Marriage

The website foryourmarriage.org was created by the US Bishops' National Pastoral Initiative for Marriage. It is a resource for all who share in or are preparing for the sacrament of holy matrimony, from the newly engaged to those in the later years of marriage.

## **Remember Me**

A support group for those with loved ones who suffer from dementia/Alzheimer's. Meetings twice per month at St Elizabeth Seton Church. Call 337-235-1483 or email setonrememberme@gmail.com for more information.

## Let us pray for:

The pilgrims from St Patrick's who are traveling to Italy from June 17 through 27.

Jean Kreamer, who celebrated her 80th birthday on June 15.

Doug Nicko, Sarah Brabant, Merrick Stelly, Linda Garber, and Dickie Bell for their health concerns.

Please let us know of your prayer intentions, birthdays, anniversaries, and other prayer-worthy occasions. Email us at office@stpat.org.

# **Collect for Eleventh Sunday**

O God, strength of those who hope in you, graciously hear our pleas, and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you by our resolve and our deeds.

# From a treatise by St Cyprian of Carthage, bishop and martyr (†258)

When we pray, our words should be calm, modest, and disciplined. Aware that we are standing before God, we should please him both by our bodily posture and the manner of our speech. It is the vulgar who shout and make noise, not the modest, who should employ a quiet tone in their prayer. On the contrary, they should employ a quiet tone in their prayer. The same modesty and discipline should characterize our liturgical prayer as well. The petition made to God with moderation is not to be shouted out noisily and verbosely. For God hears our heart not our voice. He sees our thoughts; he is not to be shouted at. My friends, anyone who worships should remember the way in which the tax collector prayed in the temple alongside the Pharisee. He did not raise his eyes immodestly to heaven or lift up his hands arrogantly, but struck his breast and, confessing the sins hidden within his heart, implored the assistance of God's mercy. He did not place his hope of salvation in the certainty of his own innocence. Rather he prayed humbly, confessing his sins. And the Lord who forgives the lowly heard his prayer.

Thank you for last week's stewardship Offerings.....\$4,909

# From the Pastor's Desk

Father's Day is an annual celebration during which we recognize the importance and roles of fathers in the lives of their children. In the United States, Father's Day began in the early 20th century, in 1910, to complement Mother's Day. In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers and set the third Sunday of June as Father's Day. So, today we pray for and honor all our fathers, both living and deceased.

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Last week I wrote a few lines about priests and becoming a priest, and how parishes "sponsor" the men from their parishes who enter the seminary. For a parish to "sponsor" one of its own sons as a seminarian is a great honor. The sponsoring parish typically provides a seminarian with prayerful encouragement during his years in the seminary. When a seminarian returns home during holidays and breaks, he usually spends time in his home parish, taking on unique and visible roles in the liturgy and in the life of the parish. Quite often, a seminarian will even stay with the pastor in the parish rectory during these breaks. The sponsoring parish will also provide some financial assistance to а seminarian. as appropriate, and host and prepare the celebration and reception for his first Mass, once he is ordained.

Now, when a man enters the seminary, what does he do, what is the seminary experience like? Well, the seminary is meant to ensure an adequate academic preparation for those who may be ordained priests. Seminarians typically earn a bachelor's degree in philosophy and then a master's degree in theology.

Alongside the academic preparation, seminarians live in community, where prayer in common is a prime feature. Seminarians gather daily for Mass and to pray lauds and vespers, which are the morning and evening prayers in the Divine Office, also known as the Liturgy of the Hours. Seminarian formation obviously places a premium on helping each man develop his interior prayer life through spiritual reading and daily personal prayer.

All throughout his seminary years, a seminarian is surrounded by priests, lay people, and professors who are charged with overseeing his human development, which seeks to help the seminarian mature into a man of God by working on his human maturity, the cultivation of virtues and the elimination of vices. Then there is pastoral formation, where the seminarian learns how to celebrate the sacraments, teach, prepare and deliver homilies, accompany people as their pastor. Much pastoral experience comes the summer months. durina when seminarians are typically given a short assignment in their home dioceses.

The years spent in seminary are a demanding but rewarding time, which typically lasts around eight years for a man who enters seminary right out of high school.

Fr Guillory